

Remarks

Claims 1-3, 5-6, 12-13 and 15-21 are pending. Claims 1-3, 5, 12-13, and 15-16 are amended. Claims 4, 7-11, and 14 are canceled. Claims 18-21 are new. No new matter is added.

Applicants have amended the independent to recite that the antifoam agent is other than a detergent, as set forth in the specification at paragraph 21, final sentence. Claims 19-20 have been added, which recite that the reaction is performed in a reactor, including a bubble reactor, as set forth in the summary of the invention (paragraph 8).

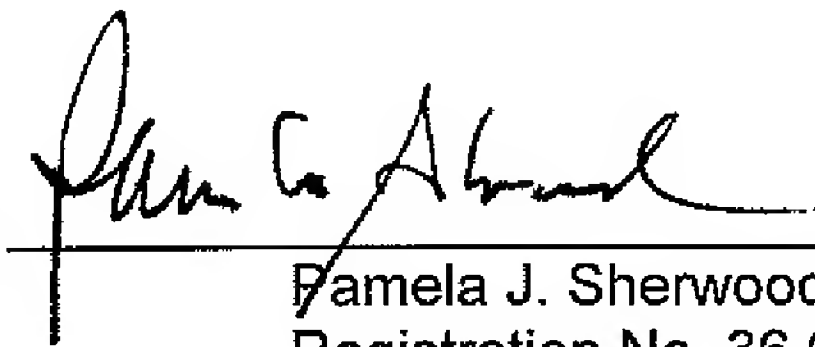
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